

Assessing the Resident's Oral And Dental Status

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The RAI

- ✓ Minimum Data Set (MDS)
- ✓ Resident Assessment Protocol (RAP)
- ✓ Utilization Guidelines

The MDS

- ✓ Section K Oral/Nutritional Status
- ✓ Section L Oral/Dental Status

Section K Oral/Nutritional Status

- 1. Oral Problems
 - a. Chewing problem
 - b. Swallowing problem
 - c. Mouth pain

Section K Oral/Nutritional Status

- 4. Nutritional problems
 - a. Complaining about the taste of food
 - c. Leaves 25% or more of food uneaten ate most meals

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - a. Debris (soft easily movable substances) present in mouth prior to going to bed at night

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - b. Has dentures or removable bridge

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - c. Some/all natural teeth lost-does not have or does not use dentures (or partial plates)

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - d. Broken, loose or carious teeth

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - e. Inflamed gums (gingiva); swollen or bleeding gums; oral abscesses; ulcers or rashes

Section L Oral/Dental Status

- 1. Oral Status and Disease Prevention
 - f. Daily cleaning of teeth/dentures or daily mouth care-by resident or staff

Triggers

✓ Dental Care

- L1a, Mouth debris = coded
- L1f, Less than daily cleaning of teeth or dentures = not coded

Triggers

✓ Oral Health

- K1c, Mouth pain = coded
- L1c, Some/all natural teeth lost and lacks dentures or not using dentures = coded

Triggers

✓ Oral Health

- L1d, Broken, loose or carious teeth = coded
- L1e, Inflamed gums, oral abscesses, swollen/bleeding gums, ulcers, rashes = coded

Example 1

- ✓ Elderly resident
- ✓ Observe plaque and debris, mouth odor
- ✓ MDS coded for L1f

Example 2

- ✓ Resident with Parkinson's Disease
- ✓ Lacks dexterity to brush own teeth
- ✓ Staff provides oral hygiene

Example 2

- ✓ MDS coded 1 to indicate supervision during oral hygiene
- ✓ L1b and L1f are coded on the MDS